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8. Sri M. R. Ramachandran.
9. ,, R. A. Nataraja Mudaliar.
10. ,, A. M. Sambandam.
11. ,, G. Vagheesam Pillai.
12. ,, A. K. Masilamani Chettiar.
13. ,, N. C. Ramaswamy Kandar.
14. ,, A. Ramaswamy Tevar.
15. ,, S. T. Adityan.

Of these, the following three members have since withdrawn their candidature :—

1. Sri K. T. Sreedharan.
2. ,, M. Dharmalingam.
3. ,, G. Vagheesam Pillai.

" As the number of candidates exceeds the number of vacancies to be filled, viz., eleven, a poll will be taken in the room of the Assistant Secretary to the Assembly, as already announced by me, on the 2nd April 1954 between the hours of 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. and 5 p.m."

(4) ELECTION OF FOURTEEN MEMBERS TO THE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC ACCOUNTS.

MR. SPEAKER :—" I have to announce to the House that the following seventeen Members were duly nominated for the election of fourteen Members of the Legislative Assembly to the Committee on Public Accounts :—

1. Sri K. R. Viswanathan.
2. ,, A. Govindaswami Nayagar.
3. ,, D. Dasarathan.
4. ,, M. Dharmalingam.
5. ,, V. Gopala Gounder.
6. Dr. K. B. Menon.
7. Sri K. P. Gopalan.
8. ,, E. L. Raghava Mudaliar.
9. ,, R. V. Swaminathan.
10. ,, V. K. Ramaswamy Mudaliar.
11. ,, M. S. Mogral.
12. ,, A. S. Subbaraj.
13. ,, O. A. Nanjappa.
14. ,, N. Rajagopal.
15. ,, P. Selvaraj.
16. ,, K. Parthasarathy.
17. ,, P. B. K. Rajachidambaram.

Of these, Sri A. Govindaswami Nayagar and Sri M. Dharmalingam have since withdrawn their candidature.

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" As the number of candidates exceeds the number of vacancies to be filled, viz., fourteen, a poll will be taken in the room of the Additional Assistant Secretary to the Assembly, as already announced by me, on the 3rd April 1954 between the hours of 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. and 5 p.m.

" I must also announce to the House that I have written to the Government that the hon. Members may be paid daily allowance till the 3rd April, as they will have to be in Madras till that date in connexion with the election to the various committees just now announced by me."

SRI M. KALYANASUNDRAM :—" தேர்தல் தேதிகளை தெளிவாக்கிவிட்டால் நலமாக இருக்கும்."

MR. SPEAKER :—" Privileges Committee தேர்தல் 2-ம் தேதி நடைபெறும். House Committee தேர்தலும் 2-ம் தேதியே நடைபெறும். Public Accounts Committee தேர்தல் 3-ம் தேதி நடைபெறும்."

* DR. K. B. MENON :—" Mr. Speaker, we have listened to the announcement made by the Hon. the Leader of the House. The House has not been apprised of the resignation of the Hon. the Chief Minister. The Hon. the Chief Minister, as a matter of fact, has not resigned, I mean, has not tendered his resignation yet. Whatever information the House may have, it is only through the newspapers. The Government do not accept newspaper information as official information. That being so, there is no reason why the Opposition should accept the newspaper information with regard to this matter as official information. The Hon. Ministers are all here. The Cabinet has not resigned. What has happened is only a storm in a tea pot only a tussal within the Congress Party. As such, I don't think there is any reason for adjourning the House all on a sudden without giving even 24 hours' notice to the House. Nothing, so far as the House is concerned, has happened which justifies the adjournment of the House."

MR. SPEAKER :—" Does the Hon. the Leader of the House want to say anything further? "

* THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" Sir, I don't think I can usefully add anything more to what I have already stated. Even though nothing might have happened to the House as such, something has happened to the Leader of the House. He has to carry on the business of the House to the best of his ability and I have already expressed my inability in that regard."

MR. SPEAKER :—" The House has listened to the statement made by the Hon. the Leader of the House. He says that he is not able to carry on the business of the House. So, under rule 17 of the Madras Assembly Rules, I adjourn the House *sine die*."

The House then adjourned *sine die*.